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To-morrow being set apart by the President of the United States and the Governor of Pennsylvania as a day for Thanksgiving, no paper will be issued from the office of THE EVENING TELEGRAPH.

OUR ROVING DIPLOMATIST.

Ex-Secretary Seward has undertaken, since the termination of his long official career at the close of Andrew Johnson's administration, a series of remarkable journeys; and of all the voyages round the world his promises to be the most memorable, if not the most important. Departing from the usual line of travel, he sets his face westward, instead of wending his way across the Atlantic to the attractive capitals of Europe. The first point to which he directed his wandering footsteps was Aiaska, a selection probably due to his anxiety to see with his own eye what sort of a bargain he had made in purchasing that bleak region from Russia. Mexico, a country which had been the object of a great deal of his diplomatic solicitude, and which he had materially benefitted by his vigorous protests against French intervention, was next visited; and now, after a brief interval of rest at his own home in New York, and after a series of journeyings along our Pacific seaboard, he has commenced his travels in far distant Asia. A short time since he was presented to the Mikado of Japan, being the first unofficial foreigner who had enjoyed that honor; and he has since gone to Pekin to bask in the sunlight of the countenance of the Emperor of the Flowery Kingdom, from which point he will proceed to Calcutta, Bombay, and the Persian Gulf.

Whatever may be the motive of Secretary Seward in this extraordinary journey (and we suspect that there is intermingled with it a desire to enjoy abroad the adulation which in the present state of politics is denied to him at home), he deserves credit for undertaking such a thorough inspection of both fronts of the mighty Pacific. This country is practically the only one which faces both the great oceans of the world; and the rapidity of the future development of our resources can be greatly increased by the complete utilization of this extraordinary adyantage.

Mr. Seward has already done much. diplomatist and statesman, to facilitate free intercourse between Asia and America and to realize the dream of Columbus, and he will probably gather up, by personal observation during his present trip, many facts bearing upon this important subject which will prove useful to his countrymen, and enable him to establish enduring fame by the magnitude of his services in fostering American commerce on the Pacific.

THE PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT. AN informal meeting of Common Council was held yesterday for the purpose of considering the Paid Fire Department bill, and several alterations were made, all of which seem to be judicious. The most important of these makes the commissioners unsalaried officers. How this will work in practice we cannot undertake to say; but in some other cities the fire commissioners serve without pay, and it is worth while for us to try the experiment to see if the same thing cannot be done here. The men who would make the best commissioners would be the last ones to be tempted by the salaries allowed under the original draft of the bill, and there are very many of our most public-spirited citizens who would be more likely to accept offices which were worth nothing in a pecuniary sense than those to which such salaries as those originally named for the fire commissioners were attached. If it is found in practice that the best men for the position cannot be obtained, and that it will be of any benefit to the Fire Department to pay the commissioners, it will be easy to take action in the matter hereafter. Another judicious amendment was in the reduction of the Chief Engineer's salary from \$3000 to \$2500, and in the increase of the Assistant Engineers' from \$1000 to \$1200. A very excellent provision was also made to the effect that no person holding office of any kind under the United States, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or the city of Philadelphia shall be

As we said last week, the Paid Fire Department bill is a very good one in its main features, and it ought to pass without serious opposition at the meeting of Councils to be held this afternoon. There may be minor defects in it, but there are none of such serious importance as to interfere materially with the efficiency of the department, and it will be easy to correct them hereafter as they show themselves. Public opinion demands that the old volunteer system of extinguishing fires shall be done away with at once and forever, and, as was shown by the communications sent to Councils last week by the United States and Diligent Companies, the better class of firemen see clearly that the time has come for a radical change, and that a paid department is the only remedy for existing evils. Ruffianiam has got the upper hand of the volunteer system; and as there is only one way in which a reform can be brought about, the sooner it is adopted the better it will be for all parties concerned.

eligible to election or appointment to any

office created by the bill.

THE Democrats who have dabbled most actively in the business of antagonizing the Republican policy in reference to the colored race have adopted two opposite lines of argument, each of which proved the absurdity of the other, while now the census shows both to have been unfounded. On the one hand they said that the negroes, after losing the fostering care of slave-owners, would speedily be extinguished; and on the other that they would become the dominant race, and not only overrule the white men at the polls, but subject them to ruinous industrial competition. The census of the colored population of 200 counties in various Southern States and in the District of Columbia shows that while they have declined in numbers in some localities, on account of disturbances arising out of the war, they have rapidly increased in other sections, and the aggregate in the district named is 769,363 in 1870 as against 696,906 in 1860, so that there has been neither an extraordinary increase on the one hand nor a diminution on the other; and both the Democratic bugbears are substantially exploded by these figures.

IT SEEMS that the Mexican Congress, in discussing the free-zone question, were not satisfied with perpetuating and extending a policy highly injurious to the United States, but that they wished to insult as well as to injure us, and to "express their defiance to the Yankee Government." Mexico is a very insignificant foe, but it is scarcely safe for her to presume too much upon her insignificance. Much of her frontier territory is too barren to be worth capturing, but if she is determined to use it as the stamping ground of smugglers, our Government may be forced to break up this system of robbery in a very summary way. We are nearly ready, for reasons independent of this new provocation to digest another portion of the territory from which we have already carved such large slices as Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California, and if the greasers grow impertinent their "free zone" may soon furnish us with another meal.

MR. ODO RUSSELL, who has been aguring quite prominently for some days past in the cable telegrams from Europe as a special envoy from the British Government to the Prussian Court at Versailles, belongs to one of the most aristocratic families of England. He is the younger son of the late Lord William Russell, by the daughter of the Marquis of Hastings, formerly Governor-General of India, and more famous as Earl of Moira. At the death of the present Dake of Bedford, who is unmarried, her son Mr. Hastings Russell, elder brother of Mr. Odo Russell, will succeed to the dakedom and immense estates worth upwards of \$750,000 a year. Until within a few months Mr. Odo Russell had for some years been filling the delicate and difficult post of diplomatic agent of the British Government at Rome, where England had no regularly accredited representative, and in this capacity is understood to have given great satisfaction. He married a daughter of the late Foreign Secretary, Lord Clarendon, and this grand alliance has contributed materially to his rapid promotion. In August last he was appointed Assistant Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and it is in this capacity that he has been despatched by Earl Granville, the Foreign Secretary, on a special diplomatic mission to the perambulating court of King William. After many delays in his journey, Mr. Russell reached Versailles on the evening of the 20th, and was at once received with marked attention by Count Bismarck. The object of Mr. Russell's special mission is undertood to be to demand from Count Bismarck a straightforward answer to the question as to whether or not Prussia would acquiesce at once and unconditionally in the rejection of Russia's pretensions in the Black Sea question. It was reported a day or two ago that Count Bismarck had denied to Mr. Russell that Prussia had any understanding with Russia on the question at issue, but the report was unfounded, and the result of Mr. Bussell's mission is yet in doubt.

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THANKSGIVING DAY.—THE SYNAGOGUE in SEVENTH Street, above Arch,
will be open for Divine service at 10% o'clock on
Thursday morning. An address will be o'clock on Thursday morning. An address will be delivered by Rev. S. MORAIS, minister of the congregation. NORTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, SIXTH Street, above GREEN.—Thanksgiving service to-morrow (Thursday) morning, at 10% A. M., by Pastor, Rev. B. L. AGNEW. A welcome to

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THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, WASHINGTON SQUARE.—Rev. HERRICK JOHNSON, D. D., Pastor, will preach to-morrow, Thanksgiving Day, at 11 A. M. Subject.—The privileges and the perils of our free institutions.

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